

Mime-Version: 1.0  
Date: Mon, 8 May 1995 14:20:28 -0800  
To: deanna  
From: brewster@wais.com (Brewster Kahle)  
Subject: Development Status

>Mime-Version: 1.0  
>Date: Mon, 8 May 1995 12:11:08 -0800  
>To: brewster, edy, bruce, pgreer  
>From: edy@wais.com (Edy Henderson)  
>Subject: Development Status  
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>ISSUES  
> Resource juggling - balls still dropping but we're catching more of them  
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>ACCOMPLISHMENTS  
> Support  
> Began rigorous evaluation of Remedy call and bug track support tool  
> Finalized transition of Z39.50 support to Dilip  
> Pushed EBSCodoc agreement back to Bruce  
> Development  
> Bug fixes and patches released (4)  
> Wrote Development Directory Structure proposal  
> Hired local technical writer for WAISserver2.1  
> Test script for waisserver 2.x is up and running  
> Continued WAISserver 3.0 planning  
> laundry list, began prioritization/sizing of tasks  
> wais inc freeware outline (Harry)  
> detail integration proposal with EB (Harry)  
> Writing Internationalization(I10N)/Localization(L10N) spec  
> Received Italian requirements from David Kuller  
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> Production Services  
> Worked with EXPEER on-site all week  
> Made progress on EXPEER spec. Final spec. sign-off due 5/12.  
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>PLANS  
> Get technical writer started on WAISserver2.1 (incl. WAISgateII vs 1.0)  
> Write WAISserver2.1 Project Document  
> Finish prioritization / estimates of 3.0 tasks  
> Write Test suite for Waisgate II.  
> Improve the test suite for waisserver 2.x.  
> Decide on Development Directory Structure proposal of Apr 27.  
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Mime-Version: 1.0  
X-Priority: 1 (Highest)  
Date: Mon, 8 May 1995 17:40:27 -0800  
To: wais-staff@wais.com, websoft-staff@wais.com  
From: don@wais.com (Don Whitt)  
Subject: Job Queue  
Cc: frank@wais.com, kevan@wais.com, don@wais.com

WAIS-ites,

When you have a network, hardware or software need that is not an emergency (an emergency means a glitch has occurred that stops you "cold") please send an email to the email alias "ops" with the subject title "Job Request".

Describe exactly what you need done and by when you need it done within the body of the email.

We ask that you send requests to us as far in advance as possible so that we can plan ahead and make sure you get what you need when you need it.

Here are some examples of the sorts of non-emergencies for which we expect advance email notification:

- 1) Computer, hardware and software ordering, purchasing, repair or configuration.
- 2) Network connections.
- 3) User and host accounts.
- 4) Email aliases.
- 5) New network services/systems for development or any other team.
- 6) Dial-in accounts.
- 7) Customer support, e.g., hardware, software and internet provider recommendations, system cfg, etc.
- 8) Machine swapping or custom/temp. configuration.
- 9) Infrastructure changes, e.g., extra ethernet nodes, phonelines, etc.
- 10) Spot backups, or regular backups of specific directories, assets, etc.
- 11) Attendance at project team meetings.

...and, in general, any network, hardware or software resource allocation. We request advance notification for all of it.

Obviously, things will come up that require immediate attention w/ no advance warning. Improperly configured computers, inability to get at your email or print a contract can make your success impossible. We will continue do our best to deal with those urgent cases when they arise.

Following is a list of the jobs we currently believe we need to complete in the near future. As you can see, our plates are pretty full. These are not in order of priority, and it would be nice to get your feedback about what is most important to you, particularly if you're managing teams of people and/or projects. If you've already done so, never mind. We would also like to find out what's missing and can supply you with more details of what we believe each task entails if you're unclear about any of them...

Net Ops Job Queue

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- 1) Completion of PPP dial-in and client configurations: Don/Frank
  - 2) New IS server (moving all IS functions off of wais.com, onto a new server): Frank/Kevan
  - 3) Firewall and Security: Frank/Don
  - 4) TeleMagic and the Sales Net: Frank/Don
  - 5) Desktop Plan: Don

- 6) Server Optimization, Hard Disk reallocation: Frank
- 7) ISDN dial-in: Frank/Don
- 9) Ops Plan: Don
- 10) Back-up Plan, Implementation: Kevan
- 11) Network expansion (more ethernet nodes, cables, hubs): Kevan
- 12) List servers: Kevan
- 13) Demo Server: Frank
- 14) Move Feed Handling: Frank
- 15) 1-800 dial-in number: Don
- 16) New FTP daemon for Public server(s): Frank
- 17) Xterm order and install: Kevin
- 18) MCI "hot" backup T1: Frank
- 19) NIS for Mica: Kevan
- 20) Automounter system for NIS servers: Kevan
- 21) Websoft email alias: Frank
- 22) News: Kevan
- 23) SWAIS: Kevan
- 24) Mac File Server: Don
- 25) Purify Install: Kevan
- 26) RnD Solaris Server (Sashimi?): Frank
- 27) I/Pro's I/Count: Frank/Don
- 28) RnD Port Machines purchase, cfg: Frank/Don
- 29) Assorted Upgrades: Don
- 30) Network management Tool Eval: All
- 31) Spare Part Stock: All
- 32) Fault Tolerance Improvements: Don/Frank
- 33) Printing from PC's: Kevan
- 34) Increase Sushi Memory: Kevan
- 35) CMP Server: Frank/Kevan
- 36) HP Jet Direct Box for LocalTalk printers onto Ethernet: Kevan/Don
- 37) Sparc Classic Upgrade: Kevan
- 38) User directory redistribution: Kevan/Frank

Thank you for your patience,  
--NetOps

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Date: Wed, 10 May 1995 10:39:34 -0800  
To: wais-staff@wais.com, websoft-staff@wais.com  
From: don@wais.com (Don Whitt)  
Subject: Passwords

Fellow paranoids,

This email concerns company passwords and user account security.

In some cases we give you a password for PPP or UNIX/email accounts. These should be set to something else immediately. But, first you have to think up a password, right?

Some rules for choosing a good password:

- 1) Do not use common words (in any language, not just english).
- 2) Do not use a password that someone might easily guess based upon your habits, hobbies, family names, car brand, etc. It's easier to guess this stuff than you think!
- 3) Use 8 characters (this is how many UNIX recognizes for user accounts, any characters past 8 are ignored).
- 4) Use mixed cases (UNIX is case sensitive) and embed symbol and/or control characters into the password.
- 5) Change your password regularly. If you don't know how, simply ask an Ops staff member to change it for you.
- 6) If you use a common word or combinations of them, then purposely misspell those word(s).
- 7) Do not write your password down on paper or store it in a file on your computer. Pick one you can remember, commit it to memory, and keep it a secret.

Some password examples:

Bad: soupcan  
Good: sUUp&kAN

Bad: pebbles  
Good: PebB@Lz!

You get the idea...

Please follow this advice, otherwise you risk opening up yourself and WAIS to being digitally pillaged.

Thank you,  
--dw